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SUBJECT: POLITICAL REFUGEES IN VARIOUS EMBASSIES IN SANTIAGO,
CHILE

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1. AT LUNCH TODAY, MARIANO TIRADO, CHIEF OF DIVISION OF TRANSPORT
AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS, VENEZUELAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS, TOLD US THAT THERE HAD BEEN AT TIME OF CHILEAN COUP D'ETAT
APPROXIMATELY 550 POLITICAL REFUGEES WHO WERE GIVEN ASYLUM
IN THE VENEZUELAN EMBASSY. HE SAID THAT AT EXPENSE OF GOV
SOME OF THESE PEOPLE, IF NOT ALL, ARE BEING EVACUATED BY
VENEZUELAN AIRLINE VIASA TO VARIOUS HOSPITABLE CAPITALS,
INCLUDING 120 EMIGREES TO HAVANA. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT
THERE WAS A "HARD CORE" OF REFUGEES FOR WHOM PRESENT
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CHILEAN GOVERNMENT WOULD UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ISSUE

A LAISSEZ PASSER. TIRADO DID NOT INDICATE NUMBER OF PEOPLE
IN THIS CATEGORY; BUT OVERALL GIST OF HIS CONVERSATION WAS THAT
PERHAPS 500 AT LEAST OF VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR'S IMPROMPTU
GUESTS WOULD BE TAKEN OUT OF CHILE BY VIASA.
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